Partition Functions: Zeros and efficient approximation IV

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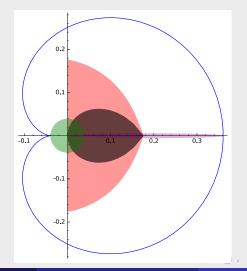
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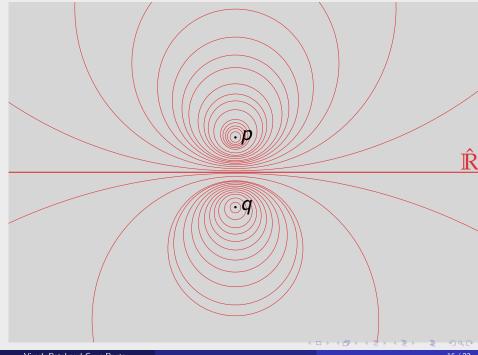
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- For an irrational parameter λ , the complex plane \mathbb{C} is foliated with generalized circles on which f_{λ} acts conjugately to an irrational rotation.



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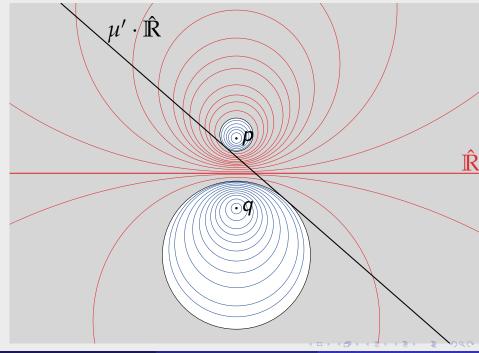
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Addressing the algorithmic part and \bullet 2 relies on properties of Möbius transformations and is quite general.

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